



Washington State Health Care Authority
Prescription Drug Program

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Dear Interested Party:

Following recommendations by the Washington State Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, the Department of Social and Health Services - Medical Assistance Administration (DSHS-MAA), the Health Care Authority - Uniform Medical Plan (UMP), and the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) have named the following drugs as preferred in their respective therapeutic classes on the Washington State Preferred Drug List:

Non-Sedating Antihistamines

loratadine OTC

Each agency will use the common PDL according to its benefit structure.

All agencies will implement the Non-Sedating Antihistamines class on July 1, 2005.

If you have other questions or comments regarding this announcement, please contact Erika Clayton at (206) 521-2027 or by email at pdp@hca.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Duane Thurman".

Duane Thurman
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